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SENATOR EPKE: The part that states three miles in the amendment. Now does that, is it three miles and this goes out beyond the city limits or do the three miles are within the city limits?

SENATOR DICKINSON: Three miles as long as the three miles is within the city limits. It cannot go beyond the city limits.

SENATOR EPKE: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Mr. President, I think if we have proven anything we have proven the original contention that we in this Legislature are not in a position to make this judgment. We have now gotten this bill around to where we will severely penalize all banks who have abided by the previous statutes in this state with respect to location of these facilities. I have presented a resolution asking for an interim study. Those Senators who say we have done this for years and for years and for years I cannot disagree with because I have not been here but under the direction of a legislative interim study group we can say, this is it. We can let the bankers who are involved, not the people whom we sometimes pretend are involved, but the bankers, resolve this under the direction of a legislative committee and I think we have spent far too much time trying to make a decision that we are not in a position to make. I ask that this bill, that you consider bracketing this bill until next year as Senator Lewis originally proposed and let an interim study committee bring these two people together once and for all.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of the Dickinson amendment, motion? All right, Senator Dickinson, you may close on your motion. Excuse me, Senator Schmit, do you wish to be heard again?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I just want to say once more in answer to Senator Murphy's suggestion, I know he's concerned about it, he has every reason to be and his experience in this area but I do believe that the issue has been aired perhaps more thoroughly than almost any other bill that has been heard before this body and I believe that the members of this body have heard sufficiently from their hometown people, they have heard positions, discussion on the floor of this Legislature to make a decision and I think we should allow the bill to continue its progress across the board and either become law or take its beating whichever the members see fit and I hope that you will not support Senator Dickinson's motion to return.

PRESIDENT: Senator Murphy, did you wish to be heard again?

SENATOR MURPHY: Yes, if I may I would speak just briefly. I do not believe that there is, with very few exceptions, a Senator in here who does not have opinions from his district on both sides of this bill. You have a chance to alienate a few or more of your banks in your area. Again I ask that you lay this over and let a legislative committee study it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Epke, are you all through? Senator Epke, are you all through over there? Senator Schmit, are you all through now? Thank you. Senator Dickinson, closing then on his motion. Senator Dickinson may close.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Mr. President, members of the body, I do not agree with Senator Schmit wholeheartedly that the members have up to this point at least thoroughly understood the bill as amended and if Senator Goodrich is now satisfied with the bill, this is a complete turnaround from his position of last week when he reportedly was trying to amend the bill to do